STATE AGENCY LIAISONS (SAL) AND
DISASTER VOLUNTEERS MEETING
WASHINGTON STATE EOC
CAMP MURRAY

Wednesday –January 26th, 2004
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

NOTES

Agencies Present:
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Social & Health Services
Department of Transportation
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
General Administration
Department of Corrections
Office of Insurance Commissioners
Washington State Department of Agriculture
Department of Personal
State Auditors Office
Labor and Industries
Red Cross

Jeanette Lomax Introduction
Jeanette welcomes everyone, talks about what to do in case of emergencies, calls Tom Peterson forward.

Aviation resources for Emergencies -- Tom Peterson , DOT
Tom talked about Aviation Resources for Emergencies. Some of the points that he made that weren't on the slides were:

There are 3 types of flight plans:
> Visual Flight Rules -- when you schedule a flight plan, but don't ask for Guidance the entire route.
> Instrument Flight Rules -- always in contact -- Positive Control. Some one is giving you directions the whole way there and back. You are only using the instruments in the plane to fly.
> No Flight Plan – Obvious

The Alert Notification(ALNOT) is delayed for 2 hours before DOT goes to alert phase.
Transponder Required for Seattle, Radar Pings Transponder every 12 seconds. Allows narrowing of the search field.
Beacons were not required until mid 1970's, When 2 senators went down in Alaska.
ELT's -- Aircraft, EPIRB -- Boats
Digital Beacons – Newest form of beacon, they each have a Unique ID, You must register them, and they can store information attached to them online, such as a flight or hiking plan, to help out potential rescuers.
Sarda – started by the FAA in the 1960's, has been rewritten 4 times since conception.
DOT flies for Search and Rescue and Disaster Recovery as Primary Jobs.
DOT will fly over land masses and take aerial pictures of projects for organizations.

America Red Cross Involvement with Florida -- Terri Giles, ARC, For Pierce, Lewis, Thurston, and Mason Counties
Terri talked about Red Cross and the tsunami and hurricane involvement, as well as general information. Some points she made that weren't on the slides were:

DSHRS -- Database of experienced Red Cross Personal, gives a rating to decided what level of disaster each one can handle.
ARC has reorganized the states into 8 main regions, to better serve.
WA has multiple Chapters, which is unusual for our region. WA also has the Largest Population in our region of 8 states.
Training required to join the Red Cross -- About 16-20 hours of basic training at local classes, Filling out an application, passing a State Patrol background check. The application also decides if you bring any life skills that they can use when you join.
When you deploy with Red Cross, food and lodging are taken care of and you receive a debit card for daily expenses.
 Advanced training is available, it's not necessary to leave for weeks at a time.
American International Red Cross -- Advanced training is required, also language or special skill sets. mostly for non-conflict areas.
Red Cross VS. Red Crescent -- Crescent is used for non-Christian areas, where the cross could cause problems.
redcross.org -- Red Cross web site
Mt. Rainer Chapter -- (253)474-0400 Questions, Primary for area.

Upcoming Exercises, Training, & 2005 Calendar -- Rosanne Garrand, EMD
Rosanne talked about the upcoming training schedule, and put emphasis on partners in preparedness conference.

Pipeline Mapping WUTC -- Dave Cullom, WUTC
Dave talked about what the WUTC had done for pipeline mapping, explaining the difference between older methods of mapping and how they had done it. Some points he made that weren't on the slides were:

The reason they are mapping all pipelines is primarily for first-response units and other disaster units.
They are not doing any fine pipeline mapping(to houses, pipes under a certain size, etc.)
They are willing to share all data if contacted
They have developed a mobile GIS, designed for Inspectors to assist them in finding any area that might need inspection. The code for Mobile GIS is available for release if you want it.
They have a printed book of pipeline maps. The book will be distributed to WA State Cities and government agencies.
The pipeline data is not considered critical information by the government, and so can be distributed without a problem.
WUTC information is more accurate then National Pipeline Mapping(NPMS), but is limited to Washington state pipelines only.
NPMS pipeline data is available, but you must request a password and log-in name to the website.

Announcements
There were no announcements.

Jeanette Closed out the meeting, thanking everyone for showing up and reminding them that the next meeting is March 23rd at Camp Murray.

Notes by: Matthew Doot